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DECLARATIONS OF INVENTORS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

- We the undersigned Patrick Chiu, Donald G. Kimber, John Steven Boreczky and Andreas Girgensohn
- 2 Are employees of Fuji Xerox Palo Alto Laboratories and specialize in computer software development.
- 3. Are inventors of the invention described and claimed in the above U.S. patent application.
- For convenience, embodiments of this invention hereafter are referred to as the "Lite 4. Minutes system"
- For convenience, Claim 1 of the above application is set out below with elements (a)-(f) identified as follows: A method for creating multimedia meeting minutes, comprising the steps of:
- (a) receiving a notation from a notetaking user during a meeting;
- (b) automatically recording an index value for the notation, the index value based on the context of the notation;
- (c) receiving a quantity of multimedia information from at least one multimedia source;

- (d) automatically selecting at least one portion of the quantity of the multimedia information based on the index value of the notation:
- (e) automatically creating an association between the notation and the selected portion of the quantity of multimedia information, where the association enables access to the selected portion of the quantity of multimedia information; and
- (f) storing the notation and the association for retrieval at a future time, where the future time is a time during the meeting, wherein a single action by the notetaking user initiates the steps of receiving the notation, recording, selecting, creating, and storing.
- 6. The "Lite Minutes system" prototype embodiment of the invention contained all the elements of Claim 1 as described and claimed in the above U.S. patent application.
- 7. The "Lite Minutes system" prototype consists of "LiteMinutes.java" and "DataStore.exe" and software modules as listed in Exhibits A-C.
- 8. The "LiteMinutes system" is able to receive a notation from a notetaker during a meeting as claimed in Claim 1, element (a).
- 9. The "LiteMinutes system" is able to automatically record an index value for the notation as claimed in Claim 1, element (b).
- 10. The "LiteMinutes system" is able to receive multimedia information from a multimedia source as claimed in Claim 1, element (c).
- 11. The "LiteMinutes system" is able to automatically select a portion of multimedia information as claimed in Claim 1, element (d).
- 12. The "LiteMinutes system" is able to automatically create an association between a notation and selected multimedia information as claimed in Claim 1, element (e).
- 13. The "LiteMinutes system" is able to store a notation and the association for retrieval at a future time as claimed in Claim 1, element (f).
- 14. "LiteMinutes.java" and "DataStore.exe" as shown in Exhibits A-C were compiled prior to March 31, 2001.
- 15. "LiteMinutes.java" and "DataStore.exe" as shown in Exhibits A-C were completed versions of a prototype of the invention described and claimed in the above U.S. patent application.

- 16. "LiteMinutes.java" is a client program with associated executable ".CLASS" files listed on "Exhibit A".
- 17. "DataStore.dsp" is a server program written in C++ listed on "Exhibit B".
- 18. "DataStore.exe" is the executable version of the server program listed on "Exhibit C".
- 19. The undersigned, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any resulting registration, declares that the facts set forth in this declaration are true; all statements made of his/her own knowledge are true; and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

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Exhibit A

Exhibit B

Exhibit C